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# ***Welcome to the December 2010 Community Town Hall***

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**Garrison Commander  
USAG Fort Gordon**

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**Our Mission:** *To provide the Army the installation capabilities and services to support expeditionary operations in a time of persistent conflict, and to provide a quality of life for Soldiers and Families commensurate with their service.*

*We are the Army's Home*



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***<http://www.gordon.army.mil/>***

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the link below onto your web browser:***  
***<mms://gordmstsc006.gordon.army.mil/townhall>***

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***Live Broadcast of the Town Hall is available on  
CHARTER Channel 13***

***Open Issues phone numbers are:***  
***[706-791-2885](tel:706-791-2885)/[6316/5632](tel:706-63165632)***

***\* Phone lines become active one hour prior to Town Hall and inactive 30 minutes prior to  
the scheduled end time.***



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# Directorate of Public Works



# Downtown Park



- ❖ Youth Ball Field Complex (Under Construction)
- ❖ New Sidewalks at Perimeter (Under Construction) – **ECD Jan. 2011**
- ❖ Boundless Playground (**Complete**)
- ❖ Additional Playground – Kids 7-12 (Under Construction) – **ECD Jan. 2011**
- ❖ New Parking Lot at Playgrounds (Under Construction) – **ECD Jan. 2011**
- ❖ Additional Tree Planting (Planned)
- ❖ Tennis & Basketball Courts (Planned)
- ❖ Jogging / Walking Track (**In Design for FY11 Award**)
- ❖ Nature Area / Casual Recreation (Planned)
- ❖ Pavilion / Outdoor Classroom (Planned)

**\*Note: To view related maps, please contact the Directorate of Public Works.**



# Wilkinson Lake Area Renovation



## ❖ Scope of Work (ECD Oct 2011):

- Remove Sediment at Wilkinson Lake
- New paved ADA-accessible parking lot and paved access road
- New ADA-accessible Fishing Pier
- New Hiking Trail along Lake perimeter
- New Picnic Tables/Benches

**\*Note: To view related map, please contact the Directorate of Public Works.**



# Directorate of Logistics



## Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

### **SUPPLY:**

- **Operation Clean Sweep will be initiated to ensure that all excess property is properly identified and turned-in beginning 13 January. This is a Senior Commander initiative and all units residing on the installation will participate. An OPORD will be published this month. The POC can be reached at 791-2675/4239.**
- **Please ensure that hand receipts, sensitive item inventories, and cyclic inventories are kept current with the Installation Property Book . The POC can be reached at 791-3443.**
- **A Christmas meal will be served in all dining facilities on 15 December. Cost per meal for non meal card holders is \$7.00.**





## Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

- **Units must submit ammunition requirements three working days in advance. Request for exception to policy must be approved by the first O-6 in the chain of command.**



# Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

## **TRANSPORTATION:**

### **DPS REMINDERS**

- **Was your shipment scheduled in DPS? You haven't heard from the Carrier? Please contact the Carrier no later than 72 hrs prior to your scheduled pick up date.**
- **The Transportation Office only gets involved with DPS shipments when the Carriers are not able to pick your shipment up on the actual pick up date or on a later date.**
- **The Carriers are not required to remove electronics off the wall.**



## Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

- **Once your Household Goods are delivered, you're entitled to be partially or fully unpacked by the Carrier.**
- **You will be contacted and visited at your residence by a Quality Assurance Inspector the morning of your move to address any concerns you may have during your move. If you are not contacted, and you require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Quality Assurance Lead Inspector at 706-791-7337. You deserve a stress free, quality move.**
- **Be prepared for your move? Visit <http://www.move.mil>.**



# Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

## **MAINTENANCE:**

- **Reminder if you're a reimbursable customer work with your analyst to get your new MIPRs in to the DRMO/GRMO, without funding maintenance will not be able to support**
- **The implementation of the Electronic DA 2407 for Garrison and TRADOC customers has been a great success. However, there are still some customers who have not switched from paper copy to the E-2407. Please call 706-791-6024 for additional information.**



# Directorate of Logistics (DOL)

- **Reminder- Units to bring their Lawn equipment into Maintenance NOW! And be ready for the Spring.**

**DOL website is:** <http://www.gordon.army.mil/dol>



# DES



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# Directorate of Emergency Services

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DES/PMO (706) 791-4397

Deputy DES/PMO (706) 791-2705

SGM DES/PMO (706) 791-4540

Chief of Fire Dept (706) 791-1201

Chief of Police (706) 791-7071

Chief of Emergency Dispatch (706) 791-8714



# ILLEGAL BREED OF DOGS



## Army Residential Communities Initiative (RCI) Privatization Pet Program

- Pit Bulls
- American Staffordshire Terriers
- Staffordshire Bull Terriers
- Rottweiler's
- Doberman Pinschers
- Chows And Wolf Hybrids

NOTE: (IAW Army Residential Communities Initiative (RCI) Privatization Pet Policy). The pet restrictions also extend to other dogs who demonstrate a propensity for dominant or aggressive behavior as indicated by any of the following types of behavior: (1) Unprovoked barking, growling, or snarling at people approaching the animal (2) Aggressively running along fence lines when people are present (3) Biting or scratching people (4) Escaping confinement or restriction to chase people.

\*Personnel in violation of this animal control policy the pet will cited on DD Form 1408 for illegal boarding of an aggressive or potentially aggressive animal.

\*Reminder: There are no pets allowed on Barton Field!





# OSJA



# Tax Center Information

- The Court Yard (near the outdoor pool)
- Doors open 31 January 2011
- Hours of Operation:  
M-F: 0900-1800  
Sat: 0900-1300
- Volunteers welcome any shift we're open!
- Call 791-7812/13 for details



# OSJA Tax Center Eligibility

- Active Duty Servicemembers
- Retirees
- Activated Reservists
- National Guard on Title 10 Orders
- Family Members with DoD ID Card
- Certain Deployable Civilian Employees



# TAX CENTER VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!





# Tax Center Volunteers

- Military, retirees, family members, civilians: are all welcome
- NO experience necessary. IRS to provide free training and certification on-post on 18-21 January
- Greeters needed too!
- In 2010, over 2,500 returns were filed through the Tax Center



# Exchange



*You save, we give back!*

# **The Exchange Community Connection**

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**Ft Gordon Exchange  
December 2010**

## Programs on shopmyexchange.com

The Patriot Family Connection Website at [shopmyexchange.com](http://shopmyexchange.com) – This [website](http://shopmyexchange.com) is dedicated to Military Spouse and Family members and features: [Events and Contests](#), [Homefront Support](#) and [Value and Quality](#) information.

**MilitaryHOMEFRONT** is the Department of Defense website for official Military Community and Family Policy (MC&FP) program information, policy and guidance designed to help troops and their families, leaders, and service providers. Whether you live the military lifestyle or support those who do, you'll find what you need!

[MilitaryHOMEFRONT Home - U.S. Department of Defense](http://MilitaryHOMEFRONT.Home-U.S.DepartmentofDefense)





## EXCHANGE Social Media

Facebook Printable Coupons – EXCHANGE coupons can be found on the EXCHANGE Facebook page and are redeemable worldwide plus [www.shopmyexchange.com](http://www.shopmyexchange.com). Coupons are currently available for 2 week intervals.

We encourage Gordon troops/customers to become fans of the Exchange Facebook fan page and utilize its coupon program!

Website : [www.facebook.com/aafes.bx.px](http://www.facebook.com/aafes.bx.px)

Become a fan : Click “Like”

Locate the coupons : “coupons tab” of the Exchange Facebook page  
PRINT and SAVE TODAY!

BECOME A FAN ON  
**facebook.**



Follow us on “AAFES\_stys”

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## Service Providers





## Military Star® Card “Toyland” Promotion

1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010

\$0 Minimum Purchase

Six Months No Interest until July 2011

**180 DAYS SAME AS CASH!**

*ADVERTISING & SALES PROMOTION WILL BE IN STORE ONLY*



## Now available on Take It Home Today®

Personal desktop, notebook or netbook computers and iPads (where available) are now eligible for purchase with the TAKE IT HOME TODAY! (THT) credit card. Visit your Exchange PowerZone for more details!





**Thank You!**

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# Commissary

# Fort Gordon Commissary





# What's Happening

- Sales are up
  - Most GA Zone stores are down – Thank You
- We're open 1000-1800 the Monday before Christmas
- We close @ 1500 on Christmas Eve
- Holiday Candies and Baking Needs
  - Located in the Christmas House and Front of the Store
- Customer Comment Cards are available in the Cash Register Area
- We close our Athens Store 8 January (BRAC)

# Issues

## ■ Distributor

- GSC Moving Warehouse from Pensacola to Columbus
  - Numerous out of stocks
  - Move should be complete NLT 1 January

## ■ Transfer of Stocks from Athens

- May involve some of the Ft. Gordon Crew
- Will be transparent



# Comments/Questions

■ [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com)



# Directorate of Human Resources

# **Fort Gordon ACAP Center**

## **UPCOMING JOB FAIR:**

- Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC) will conduct a job fair at the ACAP Center, Bldg. 33800, Rice Road on 16 & 17 Dec. from 1000 to 1500.
- Recruiting for SIGINT positions in GA.
- For additional information, call 706-791-2009 or visit the ACAP Center.

# **Civilian Personnel Advisory Center**

- **Health Care Reform Extends Federal Employee Health Benefits (FEHB) to Children Until Age 26:** Beginning January 1, 2011, children, step children, and foster children of Federal enrollees will be covered by their parent's FEHB Self and Family enrollment until their 26th birthday (plus a 31-day temporary extension of coverage), even if the child previously lost coverage because he/she turned 22. Foster parents must sign a certification stating a foster child meets all the conditions in the foster child certification. Contact the Army Benefits Center, 1-877-276-9287, for more information.

## Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, *continued*

- The child, step child, or foster child:

- o Can be married
- o Does not have to be a student
- o Does not have to be a dependent on your tax return

- Coverage for active employee or retiree children:

- o If you already have an FEHB Self and Family enrollment, you **must** notify your health plan to update their enrollment records. If you do not receive instructions from your carrier by **November 15**, contact your carrier at the customer service number on your ID card. **Do not complete** an SF 2809 or use an agency self-service system to add your newly eligible child.

# **Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, *continued***

- If you are **not** already enrolled in a FEHB Self and Family plan, you **must** enroll during open season.
- Open Season: **November 8 - December 13, 2010**
- Enrollment/Changes in FEHB **must** be made through the Army Benefits Center-Civilian.
  - On-line - Employee Benefits Information System (EBIS) at <https://www.abc.army.mil/>, or
  - Phone - **(877) 276-9287**

# **Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, *continued***

- **Pay Freeze for Federal Workers:** Effective January 1, 2011, there is a proposed a two year freeze through fiscal year (FY) 2012 on the government's base compensation pending Congressional approval by the end of this year.

- Freeze applies to all Executive Branch workers, including civilian employees of the Defense Department, but does not apply to military personnel, government contractors, postal workers, members of Congress, Congressional staffers, or Federal court judges and workers.

# **Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, *continued***

- Freeze will **not** impact:
  - o Bonuses for Federal workers, or
  - o Promotions (Federal workers promoted in the next two years will receive a new level of base pay, but not receive any additional annual raises)
  
- Savings: About \$2 billion for the remainder of FY 2011 and \$28 billion over the next five years.
  
- Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, 706-791-3840/6382



# DIRECTORATE OF HUMAN RESOURCES



## Suicide Prevention Resources:

If you sense there is a risk of suicide for a friend, or Family member, please contact one of the resources listed below to obtain help.

### Local Resources:

- Unit Chaplain
- Family Life Consultants (ACS) telephone: 706-791-3579
- DDEAMC Behavioral Health care (active duty) or primary care provider

### National Resources:

- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline And Military One Source have counselors available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:  
1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)
- Military Onesource: 1-800-342-9647, [www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com)
- If you believe that immediate self harm is possible, stay with them and take the person to a doctor or hospital emergency room **IMMEDIATELY!!!**



## Army Continuing Education Services:

- Education Center Computer Lab operating hours: 1000-1500 Monday through Thursday; closed on Fridays.
- Education Center Testing available (by appointment only) on Wednesdays from 0730-1600. Test Control Officer: 706-791-2000.
- Proctoring services are no longer available at the Education Center.

For more information stop by the Education Center, Building 21606, 741 Barnes Ave., or call 706-791-2000.



# Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation



## Child, Youth & School Services

### **Child, Youth & School Services update:**

**CDC East – projected opening 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr, FY 11**

**CDC West – projected opening 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr, FY 11**

**Main CDC 232 – projected end of construction February 2011**

**Youth Center 150 – Soil, Silt and Erosion control plans under review**

### **CYSS School Liaison Services:**

**Columbia County: 706-791-4168**

**Aiken and Richmond Counties: 706-791-7270**

### **Freedom Park School (FPS):**

**FPS: 706-796-8428**

**Construction of Middle School Wing approved by Richmond  
County BOE spring 2010**



# Family and MWR Program Updates

- Indoor Pool – Free use for all authorized patrons
- Pointes West Army Resort – Free access for all authorized patrons



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## Child Development Center at DDEAMC





## Pointes West Army Resort Six-Plex Motel





## Town Hall Meetings



# Leitner Lake Recreation Complex Conference/Support Center





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## PAL Summary

- Privatization of Army Lodging (PAL) modeled after family housing's Residential Communities Initiative (RCI) but operates as a portfolio that must balance needs across many installations
- Designed to recapitalize the on-post lodging through new construction and renovation and sustain the hotels over the 50-year lease term
- PAL to maintain a weighted official traveler rate of 75% of per diem across the portfolio
- Hotels will conform to branded standards (amenities, services, appearance) by renovating to a Holiday Inn Express standard and constructing to an enhanced Candlewood Suites standard
- Partners are Actus Lend Lease as developer and InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) as hotelier
- LTG Lynch STRATCOM of 25 January 2010 authorized PAL environmental, real estate & due diligence work for PAL Group B
- Development scope and timelines have not yet been finalized but targeted transition date is Summer 2011 and NLT 15 Aug 2011



## Issues



# Issue #1: Traffic Congestion at Gate 1

Question: As a civilian, my biggest issue is the traffic at the front gate. My route to work is down Gordon highway, turning left on to the main interest to the post. Often, I have to wait through 3 cycles to make the left hand turn to post, then another 5-10 min to get through the gate. Some days however, the gate is so jacked up it takes a lot longer. Here recently, the Richmond County Sheriff's department is posting two cars at that intersection to ensure the traffic going on post complies with the traffic signals. I get that there are security concerns that need to be addressed, but, aren't there other ways to do this without negatively impacting the majority of folks as they come to work?





### Issue #1 Response (DES)

- We are doing everything possible at the ACP to resolve this issue at this time, however, we will look into asking the GA DOT to extend that (left turn) light a few seconds longer to allow more vehicles to turn into Gate #1. Please be advised that this may have negative impact on vehicles approaching from Jimmie Dyess Parkway.
- The local Sheriffs Dept continues to assist us by having officers posted at the intersection to maintain order and address traffic flow issues as they arise. This partnership was developed to assist FT Gordon MPs/DAPs who do not have jurisdiction off of the installation.



## Issue #2: Traffic at Gates 1, 2 and 3

**Issue:** As the population of the installation increases, the volume of traffic at the gates increases.

### Recommended Improvements:

- Add more security guards to check IDs
- Add another lane between Gordon Highway and the main gate
- Open the middle lane between Gate 2 and the traffic light on Chamberlain (in-bound during morning hours and out-bound during afternoon hours)
- Extend the out-bound hours at Gate 3
- Create a direct access from Gordon Highway for the DDEAMC personnel



### Issue #2 Response (DES)

**Add more security guards to check IDs and extend the out-bound hours at Gate 3:** The increase of guards and staff is limited due to budget constraints.

**Add another lane between Gordon Highway and the main gate and create a direct access from Gordon Highway for the DDEAMC personnel:** Georgia Department of Transportation (GA DOT) has no new projects to improve traffic flow due to lack of funding.

**Open the middle lane between Gate 2 and the traffic light on Chamberlain (in-bound during morning hours and out-bound during afternoon hours) and utilize the middle lane on 19<sup>th</sup> Street:** Courses of action (COAs) are being developed to use the center lane, the outbound lane as an inbound lane at Gate 2 and address safety concerns and restrictions from the GA DOT on both of these actions.



## Issue #3: Location of In-Processing/ Venue for Training/Ceremonies

**Issue:** Why is in-processing conducted in Signal Theater instead of Darling Hall? This further limits the number of available venues for battalion-level training or ceremonies.

### Recommended Improvements:

- Use Darling Hall for in-processing.
- Build a big classroom that can hold a battalion/brigade.





## Issue #3 Response (DPTMS)

### Response:

- **Alexander Hall, Olmstead Hall and Signal Theatre are used for both recurring unit training and installation ceremonial events, as well as non-recurring unit and installation level events based on a first come first serve basis**
- **Non-recurring events are best reserved 12-8 weeks from execution to allow greatest planning flexibility to the requestor and auditorium provider**
- **Priority of effort is given to deploying and redeploying units (35<sup>th</sup> Signal Bde and 513<sup>th</sup> MI Bde) for ARFORGEN related functions, then the institutional training units (15<sup>th</sup> RSB, RNCOA, LCIT) who normally deal with large volumes of personnel per event, however every effort is made to satisfy as many requirements as possible**
- **Finance Outprocessing is done in Signal Theatre to accommodate a very large operations not suitable for other locations**



## Issue #3 Response (DPTMS)

### Response (CONT):

- **15<sup>th</sup> Signal Bde receives hundreds of Soldiers throughout the day every Friday; reception was done in Gym 5 which is closed for renovation; Signal Theatre is best suited as an alternative due to proximity to the Brigade, the size of the force supported and the essential component of that mission**
- **Construction of a general purpose auditorium facility is not practical or affordable for at least the next 15 years, given higher priority construction and funding requirements.**
- **Some additional alternatives for medium/large scale training venues are:**
  - **USAR Reserve Center (791-9593)**
  - **USASNEC-Gordon Training Classrooms (791-3933)**
  - **DDEAMC Auditorium (787-2285)**
  - **Installation Chapels- Religious in nature (791-5653)**
  - **Range Classrooms and AAR Facilities (791-5005)**

# ***Upcoming ClBs/Town Halls:***

## **FY11 ClBs:**

***1130, 19 January, 16 February, 20 April,  
18 May, 20 July and 17 August 2011,  
Gordon Club***

## **FY11 Town Halls:**

***1430 & 1800, 15 March, 15 June and 21  
September 2011, Alexander Hall***